

**REGULAR MEETING
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 11, 2007 – 3:00 P.M.
TRIBAL OFFICE BOARDROOM**

1. Call to Order & Roll Call: CHAIRMAN Eugene Caldwell called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m. Roll call was taken with a quorum present. MEMBERS PRESENT: Kenneth A. Fish, Dave Corn, Pat Corn, Todd Every, Rick Warrington and Yvette Ducane. MEMBERS ABSENT: Dave Grignon and Betty Jo Wozniak.

2. Moment of Silence. A moment of silence was observed.

3. Approval of Minutes dated July 10, 2007

The committee would like to approve the August and September committee minutes in the next meeting packets.

There has been no further information regarding grants available to restore St. Josephs Church.

The snowmobile trail needs to be discussed further. Rod Boivin was informed to be present for this meeting. The committee will make this an agenda item and inform Mr. Boivin along with the Conservation Department to be present.

The word “patriots” needs to be changed to “patrons”.

Motion made by Todd Every to approve the minutes dated July 10, 2007 with the noted change. Second was by Yvette Ducane. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 4 for, 0 opposed, 2 abstentions (Warrington and Fish) and 2 absent (Grignon and Wozniak).

4. Roger Sanapaw: Variance request

Roger Sanapaw was present to request the approval of a variance to the zoning ordinance so that he can bring his trailer home onto the Reservation. According to the ordinance, a trailer home that is older than five years must be inspected and a variance needs to be granted.

Mr. Warrington informed the committee that he did an inspection and would request approval based on the following stipulations: That the lot is cleaned, the new trailer home is placed onto runners and that the existing trailer home is removed within 45 days.

Motion made by Rick Warrington to recommend to the Legislature to approve the Roger Sanapaw building permit variance request with the following stipulations: 1) that the existing lot is cleaned, 2) that the new home is placed on to runners and 3) that the existing home is removed within 45 days. Second was by Kenneth A. Fish. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 6 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 2 absent (Grignon and Wozniak).

5. Terry Peters: Variance request.

Terry Peters was present to request the approval of the trailer home that she has purchased from Mr. Fernandez. The home is in excellent condition and she has someone waiting to dismantle and remove the existing trailer that is presently on her lot.

She also informed the committee that most tribal members do not have the budget to afford trailer homes up to five years old. She would like to see the zoning ordinance amended to have the current inspector have the authority to grant permission for older homes to be moved without waiting for a variance request. Mr. Caldwell informed her that this was reviewed prior and there is not enough certification/training on staff to accommodate this request.

Motion made by Rick Warrington to recommend to the Legislature to approve the Terry Peters building permit variance request with the following stipulation: To have the existing structure removed within 30 days of the arrival of her home. Second was by Kenneth A. Fish. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried; 6 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 2 absent (Grignon and Wozniak).

6. Billy Fredenberg: Variance request.

Mr. Fredenberg was not present at the meeting.

Motion made by Rick Warrington to table this item. Second was by Yvette Ducane. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 6 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 2 absent (Grignon and Wozniak).

7. Brian Tepiew Land Request.

Brian Tepiew is looking for a residential lot in an area that is zoned industrial.

The request generated discussion on the future of the Tribe. Questions were raised on how the zoning ordinance and land use plan need to be updated.

Mr. Fish informed the committee that a land acquisition ad hoc committee was just formed to address the short and long term goals of the Tribe in regards to newly acquired land.

Mr. Every will bring this back as an agenda item for the next meeting to look at what the possibilities are for re-zoning the Middle Village area.

8. Electrical Infrastructure Purchase.

Dave Corn handed out the \$14,000.00 cost sheet for Alliant Energy to estimate what the actual purchase cost of the infrastructure for the electrical service here on the Reservation would be.

If the Tribe did purchase the infrastructure, Alliant Energy would reduce the cost by \$14,000.00. Several years back, the Tribe was interested but never followed thru.

The committee felt that they needed to know more about what information is included with this \$14,000.00. Dave Corn will check on who owns the easements and the land and get an actual breakdown of what is available and would be sold to the Tribe.

9. Zoning Ordinance Amendment.

Todd Every informed the committee that the amendment to the zoning ordinance is needed for the Dyan Nickey lease. It needs to be classified from Exclusive Forestry to General Business District.

Lot 1 is designated for the Casino expansion and this is not part of this amendment. Mr. Every will be requesting the entire casino expansion area in the future when plans are finalized.

Motion made by Todd Every to recommend to the Legislature to approve the zoning ordinance amendment. Second was by Kenneth A. Fish. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 6 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 2 absent (Wozniak and Grignon).

10. Roads Work Group Response to Signing Issue at STH 55 and CTH M.

Rick Warrington talked with Ben Warrington-Menominee County Highway Commissioner about the signs. He has addressed the concerns to the State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation and was informed of budget constraints.

This item generated discussion about other dangerous intersections on the Reservation. Mr. Warrington will take these concerns back to the Work Group.

11. Energy Policy.

Todd Every and Llewellyn Boyd will look for funding sources to assist with the planning and the feasibility issues surrounding a Tribal Energy Policy.

This also needs to be a collaborative effort with Housing, Utilities, Economic Development and Menominee County to get started in the development of this policy.

12. Recreational Lease Policy Revision.

The legal department is still working on the revisions.

Motion made by Todd Every to table this item until the legal department is ready. Second was by Kenneth A. Fish. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 6 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 2 absent (Wozniak and Grignon).

13. Other Business.

Todd Every brought to the committee's attention that MTE would like to host a meal to thank the contractors/sub-contractors that assisted with the clean up from the tornado damage. The event would be held at the Keshena Fairgrounds.

Motion made by Todd Every to recommend to the Legislature to allow MTE to use the Fairgrounds and facility for the meal and this be done at no cost. Second was by Kenneth A. Fish. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 6 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 2 absent (Wozniak and Grignon).

14. Adjournment.

Motion made by Todd Every/Dave Corn to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Linda Peters, Recorder/Transcriber